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This Week's Gospel (Mark 1:12-15)



The Gospel this week helps to remind us why we 'give things up' for Lent. Jesus was sent out into the desert and was 'tempted', by Satan, for forty days and forty nights. As Catholics we are preparing ourselves for Easter by replicating, in a very small way, the trials that Jesus endured. Whether you succumb to eating that bar of chocolate, or having that cup of coffee isn't what is important. It is the effort in preparing yourself that matters. By living a Christian life and helping others and being a kind and decent

person, is what matters and is what will help you to prepare for the holiest day of the year at Easter. However if you do manage to avoid the snacks and treats, please consider donating the money you have saved to our Lenten Cafod Appeal. Your children will have brought home sponsorship forms, so please take the time to fill them in and donate that spare change and saved 'treat' money, thank you.

IMPORTANT BEFORE SCHOOL CLUB NEWS

There are some important changes to next week's Before School Clubs.

1. West Ham United will be running a Before School Club, (for targeted children) for the next FIVE weeks, on Mondays only.
2. Tennis Icon will be in on Monday to deliver the session that was missed last week (the coach's car wouldn't start!) and they will also be in on Thursday as usual.
3. We are anticipating that it will be too cold for archery (you need to be able to feel your fingers!) next week so there will not be any archery on Tuesday.
4. We will not be able to physically fit in the Hockey session on Monday so this will move to Tuesday for ONE WEEK ONLY.
5. Fencing will take place on Wednesday as usual.

In summary:

Monday:	West Ham Before School Club	Tennis Icon (Making up session)
Tuesday:	Hockey	
Wednesday:	Fencing	
Thursday:	Tennis Icon	

Newham Mini School Games

We are sending off our hockey team to take part in the Newham Mini School Games next Wednesday, our Coaches, Mr Brown and Miss Webb are confident that the children will produce our best ever Mini School Games result! We wish them the best of luck.



Cycle Training

The Cycle Training for the Year 5 children will take place during the week beginning 5th March 2018. There are still a few spaces left so please bring in the consent forms as soon as possible. There are a maximum of **24 spaces** available on a first come, first served basis. We are hoping to borrow the hire bikes from Newham so you may apply for a place on the training even if you do not have a bike yourself.



Polar Explorers



The children in Year 3 up to Year 6, will be visited by a Polar Ambassador on Monday and receive special lessons all about the Arctic and Antarctic. The teachers will also have special training after school to help them teach the children even more effectively about the Polar Regions too! This is part of our enhanced STEM teaching and hopefully will result in the school earning a prestigious CREST AWARD.



Lenten Cafod Appeal



Our annual CAFOD appeal is now underway, the children will be thinking of lots of different and exciting ways of raising money for the appeal.

Please take the time to fill in their sponsorship forms and help them to raise money for this very worthy cause. Mr Peter Jones from Cafod spent Friday visiting the children in their classes and letting them know about the wonderful work Cafod do around the world. The children were inspired by his visit and are ready to raise as much money as they can!

Art Week



Next week is Art Week, each class will be taking part in at least two activities. Early years will be studying 'Materials', Phase 1 will be exploring the works of Kandinsky and Rousseau, Phase 2 will focus on Van Gogh, while Phase 3 will be researching the Museum of Modern Art (Moma). You may see more on Moma at <https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/>

For the second session the children will be working with Miss Grima to produce artwork from cardboard and mixed mediums that will then be used in displays in both the Art Corridor and each classroom. There will be an exhibition on Friday afternoon of the children's work.

Waste Week

The week starting on 5th March is Waste Week where we will be making extra efforts to reduce and recycle (this may involve a lot of cardboard after Art Week!) to help minimise the amount of waste we produce. Speak to your children to see how you too can reduce waste.



Newsletter Mix Up

We are sorry if you received the last newsletter a little late. There was a mix up that led to the wrong one being printed before half term, but we thought you would still like to see the one that should have gone out anyway!



Commonwealth Youth Choir

The children made THREE trips to Wellington Barracks this week to record THREE different CDs. The first was for the Coldstream Guards, who have adopted us as their official choir. The next was for the Commonwealth Youth Orchestra and the final one was for the President of Malta, who was so impressed by the children when he heard them sing at an official function, that he asked especially for them to make a CD for him! As always the children were a credit to themselves, the school and their parent/carers. We will let you know when the CD's are available.



Security Upgrades

As part of our continuing efforts to ensure that your children and the staff at St Winefride's are as safe as possible we are in the process of installing a new entry system. You may have already noticed the new front door and this will be followed by a video intercom which will be attached to the gate in the railings, thereby adding to the security of the school. There will be further upgrades to the car park over the coming months too.

Communion Classes

The classes for those children preparing for their First Holy communion will begin on Tuesday 27th February after school and will be finished at about 3:45pm. We would like to remind you we are unable to allow you to wait in the school following the latest Safeguarding advice we have been given.

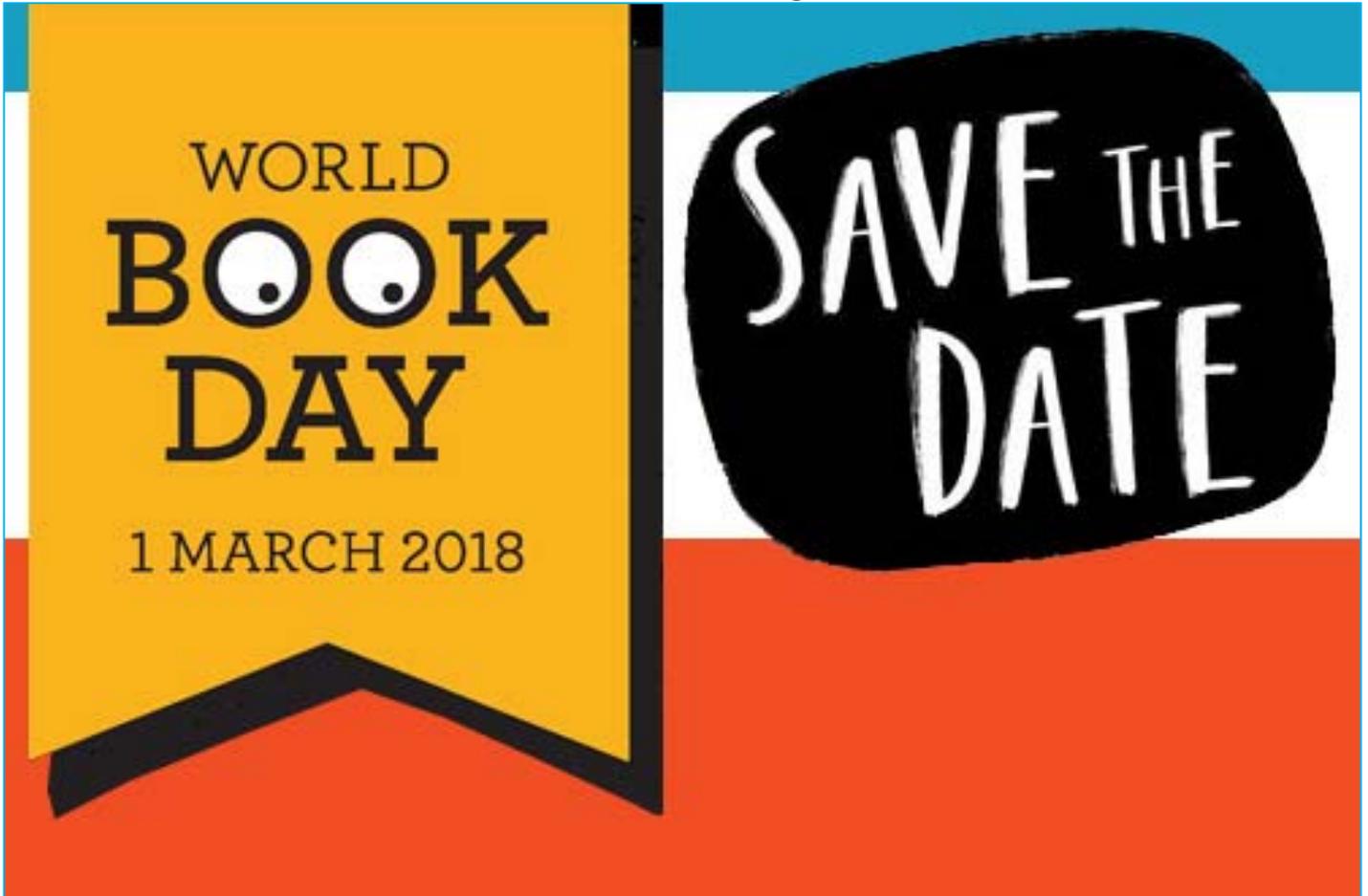


GDPR

You may have heard in the news about 'GDPR' being introduced into law in May of this year. Of course you may not have heard about it at all! GDPR stands for 'General Data Protection Regulation' and will be replacing the existing Data Protection Act. All well and good you may be thinking, but why is this relevant to me? Well, in essence, it is being brought in to protect everyone's information and data and to do so we must inform you of why we need your data, how we are going to collect and store it, what we are going to use it for and how long we will keep it. This means we must ask for your consent, on your children's behalf, to use personal information and images etc., in and around the school to help us in the educating and safeguarding of the children. In practice this will mean that we will be reissuing consent forms and information requests to include all of the relevant information as noted above and also informing you of how we will be fully GDPR compliant. We understand that this may seem like a lot of work filling in forms, considering that it has already been done, but in the long run it may actually reduce the number of forms you have to fill in!



World Book Day 2018



We will be celebrating World Book Day in a different way this year. Instead of dressing up as a character from a book we are asking the children to dress up in their pyjamas and dressing gowns (these may be worn over other clothes, especially as it might be very cold next week), bring in their teddy bear or other soft toy and also a copy of their favourite book. If they do not have a copy of their favourite book, any book will do or they may borrow one from school. We will then have a bedtime story session where the children may read their books before they go to bed! The main change however is that we will be celebrating World Book Day on **THURSDAY 1st MARCH 2018** and not on Friday.

This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer;

Dear Jesus,

May we follow your example and share the good news of God's love with everyone we meet.

Amen.

God Bless You,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Schindler'.

